TOWN OF ABINGDON BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW REGULAR MEETING JULY 7, 2004 - 1:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Board of Architectural Review was held Wednesday, July 7, 2004 at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was held in the Municipal Building, Downstairs Meeting Room.

Mrs. Thomas C. Phillips, Jr., Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Members Present

Mr. Thomas C. Phillips, Jr.

Mr. Harry L. McKinney, Jr.

Mrs. Doris Shuman

Comprising a quorum of the Board

Members Absent:

Mrs. Betsy White, Chairman

Mr. Andrew Hargroves, Vice-Chairman

Administrative Staff:

Mr. Albert C. Bradley, Director of Planning Zoning

Mr. Garrett Jackson, Town Planner

Visitors:

Mr. & Mrs. Eddy Guinn Mr. Christopher Lowe

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(2) Approval of Minutes:

Special Meeting, May 27, 2004

Motion was made by Mrs. Shuman, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and unanimously resolved to approve minutes of the special meeting, May 27, 2004.

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(3) Certificate of Appropriateness - United Home Medical Services, Eddy Guinn, Representative, 301 West Valley Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of appropriateness for approval of roofing replacement at 301 West Valley Street. Tax Map No. 11 (5) 110.

This is a request for approval to replace roof on structure located at 301 West Valley Street.

Mr. & Mrs. Guinn represented themselves. They stated that the standing seam roof would cost \$15,000 and the corrugated metal would cost \$4,500. Due to excessive cost, they elected not to have a standing seam roof.

Mrs. Shuman noted that the Board of Architectural preferred standing seam due to its more historic value. Other options were addressed such as asphalt shingles. The applicant was not interested in asphalt shingles.

Mr. McKinney expressed the need for the Board of Architectural Review to "stick to the Guidelines". The Board members discussed the difficulty in asking Historic District residents to pay three times more for "Historic Value" but it was important to maintain historic significance.

After discussion, the applicant withdrew this request due to disagreement with the Board of Architectural Review

The Board asked Mr. Jackson to work with Mr. McKinney to produce examples of what the Board of Architectural Review prefers to see.

(4) Certificate of Appropriateness - Inn Loyd-Jones (The Martha Washington Inn), Christopher Lowe, Representative, 150 West Main Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210; application for Certificate of Appropriateness for approval of pool spa addition at the Martha Washington Inn located at 150 West Main Street, Tax Map No. 12 (1) 121.

The proposed pool spa addition, to be 25 ft. x 60 ft. in size, (does not include pool house) will be located in side yard with fencing and trees.

The Board of Architectural Review was pleased with the proposed design but suggested more landscaping. Mr. Lowe stated they were looking into the possibility of a berm from the excavated soil. Mr. McKinney suggested additional low plantings to obscure the pool from Cummings Street.

After discussion, Mrs. Shuman made a motion that this application be approved. Mr. McKinney seconded the motion, with unanimous approval.

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(5) <u>Certified Local Government Grant Award</u>

Mr. Jackson explained that the Board of Architectural Review received only \$2,500 of the \$25,000 requested in the Certified Local Government Grant. The Town will match the \$2,500, giving the Board \$5,000 to use on publishing the Guidelines.

Plans for the proposed speaker lecture series must change, using the Department of Historic Resources available speakers.

(6) Progress Report - structures located at 108 East Main Street (Parks Estate, 315 East Valley Street (Clark House) and 309 West Valley Street (Crabtree House)

Mr. Jackson stated that the Clark house had been sold and that work was continuing on the Parks Estate and Crabtree houses.

There being no further business, a motion was made, duly seconded, and unanimously approved that the meeting be adjourned.

Thomas C. Phillips, Jr., Chairperson

Albert C. Bradley, Secretary